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Subject: Microsoft Settlement

I $_$ do not $_$ support the proposed Mictosoft settlement. I believe that a company who has shown so much disregard for consumers and competitive business will need a much stricter punishment. Microsoft has shown that they will continue to abuse their monopoly if it exist. A perfect example is windows XP with all its new features. Each new feature of XP drives to put small companies out of business. Look at the media player, cd recording software, internet browser (still). The list goes on. I do support making the API for windows open, and making the MS Office file formats available to the public. I do mean public not for license to competing companies. If i wanted to spend a few nights and write software to read a basic MS Word file i want to be able to do that with out being incorporated, every other popular text format is available for this kind of use.

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